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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL AFFAIRS

F I N A L M I N U T E S

MEETING OF:

**STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
VIA TELECONFERENCE**

TIME: 10:54 A.M.

Thursday, August 20, 2020

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2 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act, at
3 9:30 a.m. the Board entered into Executive Session
4 with Ariel E. O'Malley, Esquire, Board Counsel, for
5 the purpose of conducting quasi-judicial deliberations
6 and to receive the advice of Board Counsel. The Board
7 returned to open session at 10:30 a.m.]

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9 State Board of Optometry

10 August 20, 2020

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12 The regularly scheduled meeting of the State
13 Board of Optometry was held on Thursday, August 20,
14 2020. Luanne K. Chubb, O.D., F.A.A.O., Chairperson,
15 called the meeting to order at 10:54 a.m.

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17 Roll Call

18 [Chairperson Chubb requested roll call be taken.]

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20 [Chairperson Chubb welcomed Dr. Denise Wilcox back to
21 the State Board.]

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23 Introduction of Audience

24 [Chairperson Chubb requested the introduction of
25 audience members.]

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2 Report of Regulatory Counsel

3 [Cynthia K. Montgomery, Esquire, Deputy Chief
4 Counsel/Regulatory Counsel, Department of State,
5 referred to 16A-5215 regarding the proposed preamble
6 and annex for child abuse reporting regulations.

7 Ms. Montgomery stated all health-related
8 licensees are considered mandated reporters under the
9 Child Protective Services Law. She noted the General
10 Assembly started making changes to the law from 2014
11 through November 2019.

12 Ms. Montgomery referred to § 23.1, regarding
13 definitions. She noted additions, deletions, and
14 amendments, including the definition of child abuse.

15 Ms. Montgomery referred to § 23.11, regarding
16 qualifications for license by exam, which had been
17 amended to include the requirement that applicants
18 complete at least 3 hours of approved training in
19 child abuse recognition and reporting.

20 Ms. Montgomery referred to § 23.21, noting the
21 reciprocal licensure requirements have been amended
22 along with § 23.26, regarding volunteer licensure, to
23 require 3 hours of approved training in child abuse as
24 well as 2 hours in approved courses in child abuse
25 recognition and reporting as a condition of biennial

1 renewal.

2 Ms. Montgomery referred to § 23.81, noting
3 amendments to clarify that there is no exemption or
4 waiver of the child abuse recognition and reporting
5 continuing education for the first renewal cycle.

6 Ms. Montgomery referred to § 23.82, regarding
7 continuing education hour requirements, which was
8 amended to include the 2 hours of approved courses in
9 child abuse recognition and reporting.

10 Ms. Montgomery referred to § 23.83, regarding
11 continuing education subject matter, which is adding
12 an exception to the rule that study is limited to
13 those that had to do with examination, diagnosis, and
14 treatment of conditions of the human visual system to
15 provide for the 2 hours in the child abuse recognition
16 and reporting.

17 Ms. Montgomery referred to § 23.111, regarding
18 suspected child abuse mandated reporting requirements,
19 which sets forth new standards for when a mandated
20 reporter must make a report and clarifies those making
21 a report as a member of staff of a medical or other
22 public or private institution, facility, school or
23 agency.

24 Ms. Montgomery noted the reporting procedure had
25 been updated to include the new electronic reporting

1 option at the Department of Human Services through the
2 Child Welfare Information Solutions self-service
3 portal. She referred to § 23.112, which had been
4 updated to include the requirement that photographs,
5 X-rays, and medical tests have to be submitted to the
6 agency within 48 hours after making an electronic
7 report.

8 Ms. Montgomery referred to § 23.113, regarding
9 suspected death as a result of child abuse - mandated
10 reporting requirement, which was amended to allow for
11 a report to be given to a medical examiner.

12 Ms. Montgomery referred to § 23.114, where
13 immunity from liability had been amended to be
14 consistent with the Child Protective Services Law.

15 Ms. Montgomery referred to § 23.115 regarding the
16 confidentiality provision, which clarifies that
17 privileged communications between a mandated reporter
18 and a patient does not apply to a situation involving
19 child abuse and does not relieve the mandated reporter
20 of the duty to make the report.

21 Ms. Montgomery referred to § 23.116 regarding
22 noncompliance, which had been amended because criminal
23 penalties for failure to report have been increased
24 twice in the last few years.

25 Ms. Montgomery referred to § 23.117 regarding

1 mandatory training requirements of at least 3 hours as
2 a condition of licensure and at least 2 hours as a
3 condition of renewal.

4 Ms. Montgomery noted exemptions to include
5 individuals who received training required under the
6 public school code or training under a different
7 section of the Child Protective Services Law (CPSL),
8 which applies to people regulated by the Department of
9 Human Services. She also mentioned a circumstance
10 where an individual would have to convince the Board
11 they do not need to complete the training.

12 Ms. Montgomery referred to § 23.118, which is the
13 process put in place by the Department of Human
14 Services in conjunction with the Bureau of
15 Professional and Occupational Affairs, where course
16 providers must have their courses approved. She
17 advised everyone to check the website.

18 Ms. Montgomery also provided the preamble, which
19 is a description of the amendments and why they are
20 necessary.]

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22 MS. MONTGOMERY:

23 The appropriate motion would be for the
24 Board to approve the preamble and annex
25 and direct counsel to promulgate it

1 through the regulatory review process.

2 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

3 Do I have a motion?

4 DR. WILCOX:

5 I motion to approve the proposed
6 preamble and the annex.

7 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

8 Thank you Dr. Wilcox. Is there a
9 second?

10 DR. GODFREY:

11 I second.

12 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

13 Thank you Dr. Godfrey. Any discussion?
14 Any comments? The motion passes.

15 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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17 Approval of Minutes

18 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

19 The next order of business is to approve
20 the minutes from the May 14, 2020
21 meeting. Have the Board Members had an
22 opportunity to review the minutes? Are
23 there any additions, corrections, or
24 deletions to the minutes?

25 Would someone offer to make a

1 motion to accept the minutes?

2 DR. URBANSKI:

3 I move to accept the minutes from the
4 May 14, 2020 meeting of the State Board
5 of Optometry.

6 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

7 Thank you Dr. Urbanski. Is there a
8 second?

9 DR. GODFREY:

10 Second.

11 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

12 Thank you Dr. Godfrey. Any discussion?
13 So moved.

14 [The motion carried. Dr. Wilcox abstained.]

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16 Report of Board Prosecutor - No Report

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18 Report of Commissioner

19 [K. Kalonji Johnson, Commissioner, Bureau of
20 Professional and Occupational Affairs, thanked the
21 Board for their patience and flexibility while
22 adjusting to the new platform. He noted the Bureau's
23 thoughts and prayers are with everyone as they
24 continue to provide necessary services throughout the
25 pandemic. He thanked Ms. Stuckey, program staff,

1 Board counsel, and prosecution counsel for all of
2 their work during difficult circumstances.

3 Chairperson Chubb thanked the state and the
4 flexibility and consideration of the other Boards, so
5 the Board was able to keep their time slot for the
6 meeting.]

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8 Report of Board Counsel

9 MS. O'MALLEY:

10 The first one on your agenda for
11 consideration is the Petition to Dismiss
12 for Early Release of Alan Frank, O.D.,
13 File No. 19-52-013754.

14 I believe the consensus of the
15 Board was to have a motion to grant Dr.
16 Frank's petition.

17 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

18 Do I have a motion?

19 DR. UMLAUF:

20 I move to accept Dr. Frank's petition.

21 DR. BOYER:

22 I second that.

23 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

24 Thank you Dr. Umlauf and Dr. Boyer. Is
25 there a discussion? Hearing none. All

1 those in favor? Any opposed? Any
2 abstentions?

3 [The motion carried. Dr. Urbanski recused himself
4 from discussions and voting on the motion.]

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6 [Ariel O'Malley, Esquire, Board Counsel, addressed
7 amendments to the standing delegation order, where
8 language had been added to reflect orders coming from
9 the immediate temporary suspensions, which are final
10 and not reviewed by the Board.]

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12 MS. O'MALLEY:

13 I would ask for a motion to approve the
14 amended delegation order.

15 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

16 Do I have a motion to approve the
17 amended delegation order?

18 DR. BOYER:

19 I move to approve the amended delegation
20 order.

21 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

22 Thank you Dr. Boyer.

23 DR. UMLAUF:

24 I second it.

25 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

1 Thank you Dr. Umlauf. Any discussion?
2 Hearing none. All those in favor,
3 signify by saying aye. Opposed? Any
4 abstentions?

5 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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7 [Ariel O'Malley, Esquire, Board Counsel, addressed
8 Avaclyr (acyclovir ophthalmic ointment) 3% approval,
9 where information will be sent to the Secretary of
10 Health for approval to be added to the formulary.]

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12 MS. O'MALLEY:

13 We would be looking for a motion to
14 approve the letter and to move it
15 forward to the Department of Health for
16 approval.

17 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

18 Could I have a motion for that approval?

19 DR. URBANSKI:

20 I move to send a letter to the Secretary
21 of Health to approve acyclovir ointment.

22 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

23 Thank you Dr. Urbanski. Is there a
24 second?

25 DR. BECKER:

1 Second.

2 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

3 Thank you Dr. Becker. Any discussion?
4 Hearing none. All those in favor,
5 signify by saying aye. Opposed? Any
6 abstentions?

7 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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9 [Ariel O'Malley, Esquire, Board Counsel, provided a
10 report for the Board's review regarding pending
11 legislation that may impact the Board. She referred
12 to House Bill 2561, which would forego the necessity
13 of seeking approval from the Department of Health
14 Secretary for all of pharmaceuticals and would
15 redefine the practice of optometry to some extent.

16 Joseph A. Ricci, Esquire, Executive Director,
17 Pennsylvania Optometric Association, informed the
18 Board that the bill is in its final stages and should
19 be brought before the House Professional Licensure
20 Committee on September 15 for consideration. He
21 stated the bill will probably advance from the
22 committee and through the House, where it should
23 advance fairly quickly through the Senate since a
24 similar version of the bill cleared the Senate during
25 the last legislative session at approximately a 2:1

1 margin of victory in support of the bill.

2 Dr. Wilcox questioned what was meant by
3 palliative, therapeutic, rehabilitative, cosmetic, and
4 refractive or other laser surgery.

5 Mr. Ricci explained the language as a compromise,
6 rather than to further limit or restrict the scope of
7 practice. He commented that ophthalmology requested a
8 full definition of ophthalmologic surgery contained
9 within the practice act that was opposed. He stated
10 the language in the bill is really just saying that
11 optometry is a nonsurgical profession, and those were
12 various categories of types of surgery.

13 Mr. Ricci stated, since optometrists cannot do
14 surgery, the characterization of surgery as
15 therapeutic, palliative, or the other categories did
16 not change the ultimate conclusion that optometry is a
17 nonsurgical profession.

18 Dr. Wilcox expressed her concern with there being
19 such a broad use of those words.

20 Mr. Ricci noted that he did not believe there
21 would be any ability to restrict what optometry is
22 already doing, and it should not be impacted by the
23 new language.

24 Dr. Urbanski noted not seeing anything about
25 removal of a 6-week treatment window for ocular

1 disease other than glaucoma.

2 Mr. Ricci stated there is language in the bill
3 that will exempt dry eyes and allergies from the 6-
4 week treatment restriction, and optometrists would be
5 able to treat those diseases without any consultation
6 with a medical doctor.

7 Mr. Ricci addressed House Bill 2675 regarding
8 optometric education and financial support promoted by
9 Salus University. He stated the idea behind the bill
10 was to find an alternative funding mechanism for the
11 school, not directly to the school but to the
12 students. He noted there was no money for the bill at
13 this point but may occur during the next legislative
14 session in January 2021 with the goal of having
15 funding restored by the state of Pennsylvania.

16 Mr. Ricci commented that the big focus for
17 optometry right now is the scope bill, and he is
18 reasonably confident of a modernization of the scope
19 of practice act after almost 20 years.]

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21 Report of Board Chairperson - No Report

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23 [Second motion on the minutes to clear technicalities]

24 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

25 Could I have a motion to accept the

1 minutes of the May 14, 2020 meeting?

2 DR. GODFREY:

3 I move to approve the minutes of the May
4 14, 2020 State Board of Optometry
5 Meeting.

6 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

7 Thank you Dr. Godfrey. Is there a
8 second?

9 DR. URBANSKI:

10 Second.

11 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

12 Thank you. Any discussion, additions,
13 corrections, or deletions to the
14 minutes? Hearing none. All those in
15 favor, signify by saying aye. Opposed?
16 Any abstentions?

17 [The motion carried. Dr. Wilcox abstained from voting
18 on the motion.]

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20 [Second motion on the preamble and annex to clear
21 technicalities]

22 MS. O'MALLEY:

23 The motion would be for the Board to
24 approve the proposed preamble and annex
25 and to direct counsel to promulgate the

1 regulations as proposed.

2 DR. BOYER:

3 I move that we accept the proposed
4 preamble and annex and to promulgate the
5 regulations as proposed.

6 DR. URBANSKI:

7 Second.

8 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

9 Any discussion? Hearing none. All
10 those in favor, say aye. Opposed? Any
11 abstentions?

12 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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14 Report of Regulatory Counsel

15 [Ariel O'Malley, Esquire, Board Counsel, addressed
16 16A-5218 regarding licensure by endorsement under Act
17 41. She informed the Board that no comments were
18 received from the exposure draft. She noted the only
19 substantive change at § 23.27a(1)(ii) was addition of
20 language to make it the applicant's burden to provide
21 translated documents in regards to regulations, laws,
22 or rules of whatever jurisdiction they are coming from
23 if they are not in English.

24 Ms. O'Malley explained the preamble as a
25 description of what and why something is being

1 changed.]

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3 MS. O'MALLEY:

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I would ask for a motion to approve the

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proposed preamble and annex and

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promulgate the regulation as proposed.

7 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

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Do I have such a motion?

9 DR. UMLAUF:

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I move to accept the Act 41 proposed

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preamble and proposed annex of licensure

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by endorsement and promulgate through

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our legal counsel.

14 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

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Thank you Dr. Umlauf. Is there a

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second?

17 DR. GODFREY:

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Second.

19 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

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Thank you Dr. Godfrey. Any discussion?

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Hearing none. All those in favor,

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signify by saying aye. Opposed? Any

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abstentions?

24 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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1 [Ariel O'Malley, Esquire, Board Counsel, addressed Act
2 53 of 2020 that codified Act 48 of the Pennsylvania
3 Consolidated Statutes. She noted the importance of
4 the definition of "directly relates," which is the
5 nature of the criminal conduct for which the person
6 was convicted has a direct bearing on the fitness or
7 ability to perform one or more of the duties or
8 responsibilities necessarily related to the
9 profession, trade, or occupation for which the
10 individual seeks licensure.

11 Ms. O'Malley stated the act puts a really big
12 focus on the connection between criminal conduct the
13 Board is considering for discipline or licensure and
14 how it directly relates to the profession.

15 Ms. O'Malley referred to § 3112.1, stating that a
16 restricted license can only be offered if the
17 Department of Corrections or county correctional
18 facility offers training in that profession.

19 Ms. O'Malley referred to § 3113 regarding
20 consideration of criminal convictions when reviewing
21 applications. She mentioned that the Board shall not
22 consider good moral character or crimes of moral
23 turpitude to disqualify an applicant from licensure.
24 She noted the Board will need to promulgate a list of
25 crimes that directly relates to the practice of the

1 profession.

2 Ms. O'Malley stated it will initially be
3 published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* underneath the
4 commissioner but eventually will have to be turned
5 into a regulation and go through the formal process.

6 Ms. O'Malley stated there is a rebuttable
7 presumption that licensure of an individual convicted
8 of a crime on the list of offenses would pose a
9 substantial risk to the health and safety of the
10 individual's clients or a substantial risk of further
11 criminal convictions. She mentioned an individualized
12 analysis would occur to determine whether a license
13 should be granted anyway.

14 Ms. O'Malley addressed exceptions to the rules,
15 including sexual offenses as a permanent bar. She
16 also noted an exception for violent crime, where those
17 convicted of a violent crime need to have 3 years
18 elapse since incarceration or 3 years since sentencing
19 if the sentence did not involve incarceration. She
20 noted an individual must be free of conviction for
21 those 3 years and would have to go through the state's
22 assessment.

23 Ms. O'Malley stated the 10-year automatic
24 suspension was largely removed except for drug
25 trafficking.

1 Ms. O'Malley referred to § 3115, which gives
2 individuals the ability to petition the Board for a
3 preliminary decision to be provided within 45 days if
4 they are unsure if something in their criminal history
5 would prevent them from practicing the profession.

6 Ms. O'Malley referred to § 3116, where the
7 Department of State has to create a best practices
8 guide for applicants with convictions to include a
9 list of crimes in multiple languages. She stated the
10 list of offenses has to be published within 180 days,
11 noting she has already started compiling a list. She
12 explained the list needs to be promulgated under the
13 commissioner with collaboration with the Board and
14 public entities who have knowledge of the profession.

15 Commissioner Johnson commented that the list is
16 going to be primarily generated from the precedent the
17 Board has set. He stated the enormous body of formal
18 offenses based on criminal history is going to be the
19 primary source of the lists.

20 Commissioner Johnson explained that all of that
21 work is thrust upon Board counsel to evaluate and
22 provide analysis of those preliminary determinations.
23 He noted the Board will have the opportunity to review
24 the list and provide feedback.

25 Ms. O'Malley stated the list being created is not

1 an automatic bar to licensure. She commented that
2 schools will need to decide whether to request
3 information at the time of application and that is
4 something they are going to have to discuss with their
5 legal counsel.

6 Ms. O'Malley addressed 16A-5213 regarding general
7 revisions, noting the importance of promulgating those
8 as final before they expire and the Board has to start
9 over from scratch.

10 Ms. O'Malley referred to § 23.82 regarding
11 continuing education requirements, where the license
12 does not renew for individuals who cannot certify that
13 they completed their continuing education.

14 Ms. O'Malley explained the procedure, where
15 licenses in Pennsylvania cannot be taken away because
16 of incomplete CE and would be forwarded to the
17 prosecution division for further investigation.

18 Ms. O'Malley referred to § 23.86 regarding
19 sources of continuing education. She noted the
20 addition of cross references per the IRRC comment
21 because it did not clearly specify how the hours were
22 earned. She also noted comments from IRRC regarding
23 confusion over why the Board was removing what was
24 previously subsection (f) concerning how to earn
25 continuing education.

1 Ms. O'Malley referred to subsection (i)
2 concerning jurisprudence and ethics. She noted the
3 addition of subsections (1) and (2) to explain how the
4 above subsection would breakdown into earning the
5 total amount of credits.

6 Dr. Godfrey questioned whether practice
7 management courses are still not eligible for
8 continuing education credits. He also questioned
9 whether everyone being able to obtain 50% of CE
10 credits online is accurate and believed the Board
11 should consider being more liberal than it had been
12 with the number of credits allowed in nontraditional
13 in-person CE.

14 Ms. O'Malley noted the temporary waiver that
15 allows all online CEs this year because of COVID-19.
16 She also noted prior discussion with Chairperson Chubb
17 concerning the regulation to increase online CE. She
18 suggested meeting with the Regulation Committee to
19 consider cleaning up the continuing education section
20 in a separate regulation and consider increasing the
21 online education at the next meeting.

22 Dr. Urbanski mentioned the increase to 50% was
23 already in another version of the regulation and
24 believed the goal was to modernize how doctors could
25 obtain their education.

1 Dr. Wilcox questioned why standards for
2 commercial support was removed.

3 Ms. O'Malley explained that it was already
4 regulated by the industry and also regulated by the
5 commonwealth and felt unnecessary.

6 Mr. Farrell noted proposed rulemaking § 23.86(g),
7 which is a 50% provision for online or webinar
8 courses.

9 Ms. O'Malley noted a question from IRRC regarding
10 § 23.86(h) and why the language that an application
11 should be made prior to the service to assure approval
12 will be given by the Board to the program was removed.
13 She recommended putting the language back. After
14 discussion the decision was made to remove the pre-
15 approval.

16 Ms. O'Malley referred to § 23.86(e) regarding
17 retroactive approval, noting a question from IRRC
18 wanting to know whether the 60-day time frame applies
19 to all of the other entities in this section and how
20 it works.

21 Dr. Urbanski commented that subsection (e) was
22 written to address doctors who attend a lecture that
23 was not approved and have 60 days to get credit.

24 Ms. O'Malley suggested eliminating § 23.86 from
25 the regulatory package and keeping § 23.82 regarding

1 continuing education and the ramifications of not
2 complying. She stated the draft is confusing, and
3 edits do not necessarily align.

4 Dr. Urbanski expressed concern with striking the
5 entire section and losing its ability to go to 50% for
6 online CE.

7 Dr. Wilcox noted promising people 50% for online
8 CE since 2012 and would like to get this passed.

9 Ms. O'Malley will drop what is currently written
10 as (2) down to (3) and will renumber, where (2) will
11 state that continuing education credits under
12 subsection (g) shall account for no more than 50% of
13 your total and (3) will be exactly as written as (2)
14 but with the removal of subsection (g), where you can
15 do 25% in (e), (f), or (h) and up to 50% of them
16 combined.]

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18 MS. O'MALLEY:

19 You could make a motion to accept the
20 final preamble and annex with the
21 discussed provision and to promulgate
22 the regulation as final.

23 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

24 Could I have a motion?

25 DR. GODFREY:

1 I move to accept the final preamble and
2 annex with the discussions the Board
3 recommended to our counsel and that they
4 continue to promulgate this as final.

5 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

6 Second?

7 DR. UMLAUF:

8 Second.

9 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

10 Thank you Dr. Umlauf. Discussion?
11 Hearing none. All those in favor,
12 signify by saying aye. Opposed? Any
13 abstentions?

14 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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16 Report of Board Administrator

17 [Luanne K. Chubb, O.D., F.A.A.O., Chairperson,
18 suggested Ms. Stuckey send everyone information
19 concerning resetting passwords.]

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21 New Business

22 [Kimberly F. Boyer, O.D., Secretary, addressed her
23 attendance at the Association of Regulatory Boards of
24 Optometry's (ARBO) Meeting in June. She noted there
25 were 33 states represented and being asked how states

1 are handling licensure and CE during COVID-19. She
2 noted discussion concerning the 6-time limit to pass
3 the National Board of Examiners in Optometry (NBEO),
4 the ongoing contract negotiations between ARBO and
5 NBEO, and the National Board Examination Review
6 Committee (NBERC) created to examine cut scores and
7 conflicts of interest.

8 Dr. Boyer noted review of how NBEO Part III is
9 being structured to not only look at clinical skills
10 but also how students and applicants are able to do
11 cognitive thinking.

12 Chairperson Chubb thanked Dr. Boyer for attending
13 the meeting.]

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15 Miscellaneous

16 [Luanne K. Chubb, O.D., F.A.A.O., Chairperson, noted
17 three applicants applying for licensure under Act 41.

18 Dr. Godfrey noted the decision to require all
19 three applicants to obtain 6 hours of continuing
20 education on oral pharmaceuticals since they are from
21 a non-oral therapeutic state.]

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23 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

24 Could I have a motion to approve the
25 review of applications under Act 41 for

1 the three applicants?

2 DR. BECKER:

3 I'll make that motion.

4 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

5 Thank you Dr. Becker. Second?

6 DR. URBANSKI:

7 Second.

8 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

9 Thank you Dr. Urbanski. Any further
10 discussion? Hearing none. All those in
11 favor, signify by saying aye. Opposed?
12 Any abstentions?

13 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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15 [Luanne K. Chubb, O.D., F.A.A.O., Chairperson, noted
16 2021 tentative Board meeting dates for the Board's
17 review.]

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19 Public Comment Period

20 [Ted Mowatt, CAE, Vice President, Wanner Associates,
21 on behalf of the Pennsylvania Optometric Association,
22 commented that Ms. Smeltz and Ms. Sidle have been
23 working on a lot of things, including the Board's
24 legislation. He mentioned negotiations are proceeding
25 to an endpoint and thinks it is going to be

1 successful.

2 Mr. Mowatt thanked all of the hardworking
3 staffers trying to work under tough conditions to get
4 the bill and numerous pieces of legislation done.]

5 ***

6 Adjournment

7 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

8 I believe that we are adjourned.

9 DR. BECKER:

10 So moved.

11 DR. URBANSKI:

12 Second.

13 CHAIRPERSON CHUBB:

14 Our meeting is adjourned.

15 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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17 [There being no further business, the State Board of
18 Optometry Meeting adjourned at 12:48 p.m.]

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CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing summary minutes of the State Board of Optometry meeting, was reduced to writing by me or under my supervision, and that the minutes accurately summarize the substance of the State Board of Optometry meeting.



Kelly Gallick,

Minute Clerk

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